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Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation P.O. Box 94275, Capitol Station Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE: Application Notice
Cib Carst Zone, Reservoir A
COQUILLE BAY FIELD
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Martin-Marks Operating Co., LLC ("Applicant") hereby makes application to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Cib Carst Zone, Reservoir A, in the Coquille Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To dissolve the CIB C RA SU A and CIB C RA SU B previously created by Office of Conservation Order No. 890-T, effective June 7, 2005, and simultaneously therewith to create revised drilling and production units for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Cib Carst Zone, Reservoir A, such units to be designated CIB C RA SU A and CIB C RA SU B.
- 2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 3. Except to the extent contrary herewith, to continue in full force and effect the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 890-T series of Orders.
 - 4. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Cib Carst Zone, Reservoir A, was fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 890-T, effective June 7, 2005.

A timely request for the conference tentatively scheduled for July 17, 2006 in the pre-application notice dated June 23, 2006 was received and therefore the conference was held. The undersigned on behalf of the Applicant presented the geologic basis for their proposed units. Bill McAlister, representing Clayton Williams, Inc., presented a counterplan which differed

from that of the Applicant in the placement of the South bounding fault. The meeting was adjourned with the intent of resolving the differences between the parties. Since the time of this conference one additional well has been drilled and the geologic data associated therewith incorporated into a plan that resolves the differences between the parties. At this time there is no opposition anticipated to this proposal.

All pertinent data relating to the subject application is available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002. Any person wishing to inspect such data should contact the undersigned at (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data that is not otherwise available from the Office of Conservation can be obtained at the expense of the requesting party.

The Applicant will provide for posting a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and a copy of the enclosed plat at a prominent place in the area affected by this application and will cause the publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of the Coquille Bay Field. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties, Interested Parties and Pre-Hearing Conference Attendees all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure.

There is attached hereto and made a part hereof, a plat outlining the Cib Carst Zone, Reservoir A, and a list of names and addresses of the Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties to whom this notice is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of Parties is being furnished ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. The aforementioned list is available upon request to any Interested Party. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties as required by the Revised Rules of Procedure.

There is enclosed herewith on behalf of the Applicant a check made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

LOUIS GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, INC.

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cc: Mr. Richard Hudson (w/enclosures)
Office of Conservation

Mr. Everard Marks (w/enclosures)
Martin-Marks Operating Co., LLC

Interested Parties, Interested Owners,
Represented Parties and Pre-Hearing Conference
Attendees (w/plat)

